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In re Application of

Friedrich ROELL

Application No: 09/619,842

Filed: July 20, 2000

For: METHOD OF PRODUCING A THREE-
DIMENSIONAL KNIT AND TEXTILE MATERIAL
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Art Unit: 3765

Examiner:
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Sir:

The Office Action mailed September 27, 2002 does not reflect the current status of the application, which is that the application contains claims 17-38 filed with the reply to the Office Action mailed December 29, 2000 and claims 39-42 included in a supplemental reply that was filed on June 1, 2001 and in which claims 17, 21, 22 and 26-28 were amended. The Office Action mailed September 27, 2002 is in fact simply a copy of the Office Action mailed December 29, 2000 and applicant therefore believes that the Office Action mailed September 27, 2002 was sent in error. During a telephone conversation with the examiner on October 7, 2002, the examiner confirmed that the Action mailed September 27, 2002 had been sent in error. In the circumstances, applicant believes that no reply to the Office Action mailed September 27, 2002 is required. Applicant awaits an Action on the merits of claims 17-42.

Respectfully submitted,

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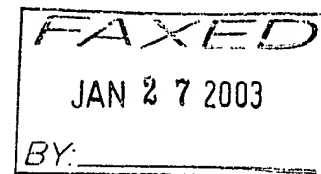
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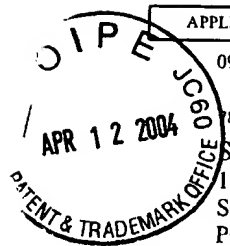
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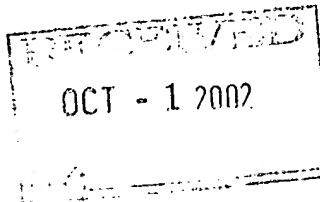
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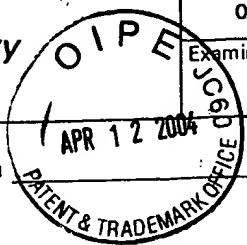
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Application Papers

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Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

☒ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).☒ All ☐ Some* ☐ None of the CERTIFIED copies of the priority documents have been☐ received.☒ received in Application No. (Series Code/Serial Number) 09/171,370.☐ received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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Attachment(s)

☐ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s). 2☐ Interview Summary, PTO-413☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152

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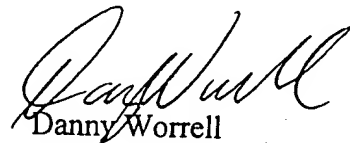
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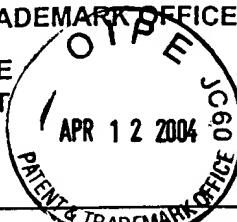
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u	562,751	10/1932	Germany				
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u	631,470	12/1927	France				
u	469,998	08/1937	United Kingdom				
u	2,206,609	01/1989	United Kingdom				

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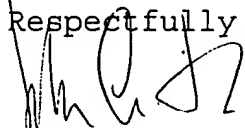
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Attention: Mr. Larry Schwartz
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

A reply to the Notice mailed January 17, 2002 was filed on February 15, 2002, as indicated by the accompanying copy of the return postcard stamped February 15, 2002. Applicant understands that the reply filed February 15, 2002 cannot be found. A copy of the reply filed February 15, 2002 is therefore submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,



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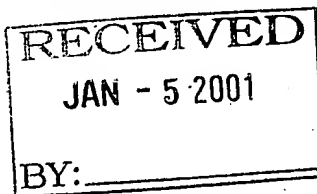
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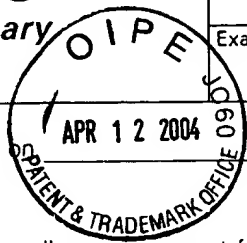
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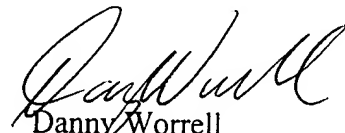
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TRANSMITTAL OF CONTINUING APPLICATION

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Sir:

This application is a ☐ continuation ☒ divisional
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1. PRIOR APPLICATION DATA

Application No: 09-~~171~~,370

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- ☒ Declaration for Patent Application
 - ☐ Newly executed
 - ☒ Copy from prior application
- ☐ An assignment and recordation cover sheet
- ☐ Small entity status: verified statement that this is a
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- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement

3. ☒ Cancel in this application original claims 3-5, 8-12 and 14-16 before calculating the filing fee.

4. ☐ This divisional or continuation application is filed by fewer than all of the inventors named in the prior application and this application is accompanied by a statement requesting deletion of the name(s) of the person(s) who is(are) not inventor(s) in this application.

5. ☐ The ☐ inventorship, ☐ inventor's citizenship, residence or post office address as shown on the original oath or declaration was changed and approved during prosecution of the prior application, which changes are shown on the enclosed Inventor(s) Information Sheet.

6. ☒ Priority of Application No. 196 16 005.7 filed on April 18, 1996 in Germany is claimed under 35 USC 119.

☒ A certified copy of the priority application has been filed in prior Application No. 09/171,370 filed October 16, 1998.

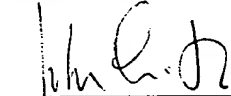
7. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to Recaro GmbH & Co. (For divisional or continuation only; not for CIP.)

8. ☐ A petition and fee for _____ month's extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed _____ in the prior application, until _____, has been filed, and a copy of the petition is attached.

9. ☐ A verified statement claiming small entity status has been filed in prior Application No. _____ filed _____. A copy of the verified statement is enclosed. Status as a small entity is still proper and is desired.

10. ☒ Address all future communications to the correspondence address associated with Customer No. 007812.

By



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BASIC FILING FEE						= \$690
Discount for Small Entity						= 0
TOTAL FILING FEE						= \$690

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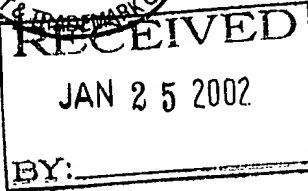
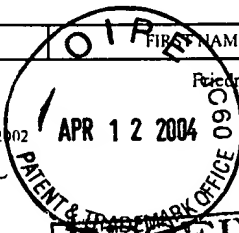


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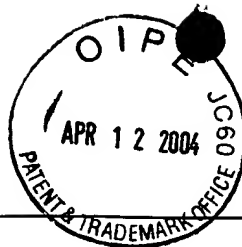
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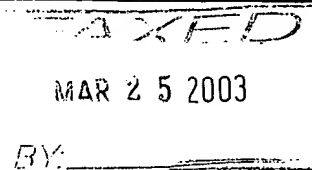
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